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Petition to Revive

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In re Application of:
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) Date: September 19, 2005

) Examiner: Charles, Marcus

Serial No.: 10/617,628

) Group Art Unit: 3682

Docket No.: T02-061A

For: AUTOMATIC LOCKED-CENTER
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Via Fax: 571-273-8300
The Honorable Commissioner
for Patents
Group Art Unit 3682
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir,

Applicant hereby petitions for revival of this application pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.137 (a) as an application unavoidably abandoned for failure to prosecute, due to an avoidable delay or in the alternative pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.137 (b) as an application unintentionally abandoned for failure to prosecute, due to unintentional delay. This petition is preceded by a proposed response to continue prosecution of the application, sent September 6, 2005 in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.137 (a)(1) or 37 CFR § 1.137 (b)(1). The notice of abandonment was mailed on September 13, 2005 and received today, September 19, 2005. The fees required pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.137 (a)(2) and 37 CFR § 1.17 (1) or 37 CFR § 1.137 (b) (2) and 37 CFR § 1.17 (m) are to be charged to the assignees deposit account number 07-0475.

The delay in the response was unavoidable or in the alternative was at least unintentional. Two events worked in concert to interfere with responding to the office

action sent on January 12, 2005 within the available time period. The workload for the undersigned, over the period extending from January to the current date, has been overly burdensome and has included many duties unrelated to patent prosecution. Most significantly, however, the undersigned was ill during the week of July 11, 2005, July 12, 2005 being the point where unavoidable abandonment occurred. The undersigned was very ill on July 11th, but attempted, with very little success, to be in the office and functioning. The undersigned make no such attempt the following day, July 12th, and stayed away his office ill. Accordingly, the critical date escaped the attention of the undersigned on the Monday July 11th, and the undersigned was unavailable to act upon the office action on the critical date.

It is respectfully submitted that the foregoing satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.137 (a) to revive an abandoned application due to unavoidable delay, or in the alternative at least requirements of 37 CFR § 1.137 (b) to revive due to unintentional delay.

The undersigned stresses that, if the foregoing is not found to justify a finding of unavoidable delay, there was never any intention on the part of any employee or legal representative of the Applicant (specifically the undersigned) or Assignee to in any way abandoned this Application. The delay was unintentional.

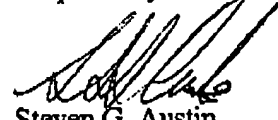
Applicant also hereby petitions for any extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 in which to respond to the aforementioned Office Action that may be required.

FEES

The fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17 with respect to this Petition under 37 CFR § 1.137 or if appropriate 37 CFR § 1.136, and any other fees incurred as a result of the amendments made in the accompanied proposed response to the Office Action are to be charged to Assignees' deposit account number 07-0475.

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Respectfully submitted,



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